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SUBJ: SOVIET PRESS TRUMPETS ESTABLISHMENT

OF RELATIONS WITH PORTUGAL

1. MAJOR SOVIET PAPERS ON JUNE 10 FRONT-PAGE

ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH PORTUGAL.

PRESS COVERAGE DURING PRECEDING WEEKS HAD BEEN

CAUTIOUSLY PREPARING SOVIET READER FOR EVENT, IN

PARTICULAR HIGHLIGHTING CALL BY PORTUGUESE

COMMUNIST PARTY (PCP) FOR REEXAMINATION OF FASCIST

POLICY WHICH KEPT PORTUGAL ISOLATED FROM SOCIALIST

STATES.

2. COMMENTARY ON PORTUGAL CONTINUES TO MAKE POSITIVE

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NOISES ON NEW GOVERNMENT'S DOMESTIC PROGRAM AS WELL AS

POLICY VIS-A-VIS AFRICAN COLONIES, AT SAME TIME SOUNDING NOTE OF CAUTION THAT FASCIST FORCES STILL LURK IN BACKGROUND, IN SOME INSTANCES EXERCISING UNDIMINISHED INFLUENCE, AND THAT DANGER OF COUNTER-REVOLUTION MUST NOT BE UNDERESTIMATED. JUNE 10 PRAVDA PARAPHRASES AN "AVANT" EDITORIAL WHICH WARNS THAT CAPITALIST FORCES AND SECRET SUPPORTERS OF FASCISM STILL EXERCISE CONSIDERABLE POWER, AND THAT RETENTION OF POLITICAL GAINS WILL REQUIRE EXERCISING A FLEXIBLE AND CAUTIOUS POLICY. IN A FURTHER COMMENTARY, PRAVDA (INTERNATIONAL REVIEW JUNE) WARNS THAT PORTUGUESE REACTIONARY MILITARISTS AND OTHER FASCIST GROUPS, WITH DIRECT SUPPORT OF MILITARIST CIRCLES IN NATO, ARE EVEN NOW PREPARING PLOTS AGAINST THE LIBERATION MOVEMENT.

3. PRESS COVERAGE REFLECT SOVIET SATISFACTION AT TURN OF EVENTS WHICH HAS LED TO ESTABLISHMENT OF RELATIONS, BUT ALSO EMPHASIZES SOVIET CONCERN OVER SURVIVAL PROSPECTS OF NEW REGIME. IN ECHOING CALL BY AVANTE FOR "FLEXIBLE AND CAUTIOUS" POLICY, PRAVDA APPEARS TO BE WARNING PORTUGUESE RADICALS NOT TO ATTEMPT TO MOVE NEW GOVERNMENT TOO FAR TOO QUICKLY, OR WHOLE HOUSE OF CARDS MAY COME TUMBLING DOWN AROUND THEM.
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